

## **Mössbauer study of the process of the room-temperature aging of the alloy Cu<sub>79</sub>Ni<sub>14</sub>Fe<sub>7</sub>**

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### **Abstract**

Mössbauer spectroscopy was used to investigate the initial stage of the phase separation in the quasi-binary system Cu<sub>79</sub>Ni<sub>14</sub>Fe<sub>7</sub> and the subsequent transformation of the alloy structures as a result of prolonged aging at room temperature. For describing the Mössbauer spectra of ferromagnetic particles, which appear upon the spinodal decomposition in a paramagnetic matrix, a model was proposed and approved, which uses particle-size distribution in the approximation of the generalized Lifshitz-Slezov-Wagner (LSW) model and of the linear decrease of the hyperfine field at the <sup>57</sup>Fe nuclei in the near-surface layers of spherical particles. © 2011 Pleiades Publishing, Ltd.

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